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RESPONSE TO SECOND RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 20, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time with the appropriate fee to make this response timely.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows.